

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An e-mail processing server for relaying and e-mail which is transmitted between mobile terminals and performing a lottery to award a prize to a user of the mobile terminal, comprising:

a receiver ~~sending/receiving means~~ for receiving an e-mail from a first mobile terminal and a sender for sending the e-mail to a second mobile terminal;

a storage ~~storing means~~ for storing send information of the e-mail, which is sent from the receiver or sender, the send information including the number of received e-mails and total amount of received data by said first and second mobile terminals ~~sending/receiving means, every mobile terminal, as destination of the e-mail;~~ winning probability decider ~~deciding means~~ for deciding a winning probability of a drawing of lots applied to a user of the second mobile terminal according to the send information stored in the storage ~~storing means~~; and lot-drawer ~~lot-drawing means~~ for executing a lot-drawing ~~at from~~ the winning probability decided by the winning probability decider ~~deciding means~~.

2. (Currently amended) The e-mail processing server according to claim 1, wherein

the ~~sending/receiving means~~ involves:
receiving means for ~~receiving the e-mail from the first mobile terminal;~~
notice information ~~sender~~ sending means for sending notice information, which informs an event that the e-mail is sent, to the second mobile terminal; and request-to-send information ~~receiver~~ receiver means for receiving request-to-send information, which is sent from the second mobile terminal, for requesting to send an e-mail that the notice information shows; ~~and~~ wherein

said sender sends the ~~sending means for sending an~~ e-mail to the second mobile terminal in response to the request-to-send information received by the request-to-send information receiving means.

3. (Currently amended) An e-mail processing serve for relaying an e-mail which is transmitted between mobile terminals and performing a lottery to award a prize to users of the mobile terminals, comprising:

sending/receiving means for receiving an e-mail from a first mobile terminal and sending the e-mail to a second mobile terminal;

storing means for storing send information of the e-mail, which is sent by the

sending/receiving means, the send information including the number of received e-mails and total amount of received data by said first and second mobile terminals ~~every mobile terminal as destination of the e-mail~~; and lot-drawing means for executing a

lot-drawing applied to a user of the second mobile terminal when the send information stored in the storing means satisfy a predetermined condition.

4. (Currently amended) The e-mail processing server according to claim 3, wherein

the sending/receiving means involves:

receiving means for receiving the e-mail from the first mobile terminal;

notice information sending means for sending notice information, which informs and event that the e-mail is sent, to the second mobile terminal;

request-to-send information receiving means for receiving request-to-send information, which is sent from the second mobile terminal, for requesting to send and e-mail that ~~that~~ the notice information shows; and

sending means for sending ~~the an~~ e-mail to the second mobile terminal in response to the request-to-send information by the request-to-send information receiving means.

5. (Currently amended) The e-mail processing server according to claim 1, further comprising:

acquiring ~~device~~means for acquiring ~~from a database~~, storing location information

showing ~~storing a~~ location on a network, where contents of a prize awarded to a user who won the lot-drawing are stored, ~~from a database~~; and storing location information ~~sends~~sending means for attaching the storing location information acquired by the acquiring ~~device~~means to an e-mail, which is to be send to a mobile terminal of the user who won the lot-drawing, and then sending the e-mail to the mobile terminal.

6. (Original) The e-mail processing server according to claim 3, further comprising:

acquiring means for acquiring storing location information showing storing location on a network, where contents of a prize awarded to a user who won the lot-drawing are stored, from a database; and

storing location information sending means for attaching the storing location information acquired by the acquiring means to an e-mail, which is to be sent to a mobile terminal of the user who won the lot-drawing, and then sending the e-mail to the mobile terminal.

7. (Currently amended) The e-mail processing server according to claim 1, wherein the prize involves digital contents that are enabled to play with the mobile terminal, and further comprising:

acquiring device means for acquiring, from a database, storing location information showing a storing location on a network, where the digital contents are stored, ~~from a database~~; and storing location information sender sending means for attaching the storing location information acquired by the acquiring device means to an e-mail, which is to be sent to a mobile terminal of the user who won the lot-drawing, and then sending the e-mail to the mobile terminal.

8. (Original) The e-mail processing server according to claim 3, wherein the prize involves digital

contents that are enabled to play with the mobile terminal, and further comprising:

acquiring means for acquiring storing location information showing storing

location on a network, where the digital contents are stored, from a database; and

storing location information sending means for attaching the storing location information acquired by the acquiring means to an e-mail, which is to be sent to a mobile terminal of the user who won the lot-drawing, and then sending the e-mail to the mobile terminal.

9. (New) A system that monitors emails sent and received by mobile terminals for use in a lottery, comprising:

at least first and second mobile terminals; and

a server which relays the emails sent from one of said first or second mobile terminals to the other, the server storing mobile terminal information which includes the number of emails received by each of the at least first and second mobile terminals and also the total amount of data received by each of the at least first and second mobile terminals,

wherein the server determines a winner of a prize using at least part of the mobile terminal information.